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Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING A MESSAGE IN A MAILING SYSTEM**

STATUS INQUIRY – AMENDED PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

It has been (12) Twelve months since the filing on April 8, 2004 of an Appellant's Brief in the above identified patent application. No Communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on the Appellant's Brief. Furthermore, the Private Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) System does not show an entry for "Appeal Awaiting BPAI Docketing," but it indicates that the Appeal Brief was filed on April 12, 2004 and the Examiner's answer was mailed on July 14, 2004.

Therefore, applicant wishes to inquire as to the present status of the above-identified pending patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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